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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application
filed on or after June 8, 1995.
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

Application No.	09/516,753
Filing Date	March 1, 2000
First Named Inventor	Gregory Pinchasi
Group Art Unit	3731
Examiner Name	Vy Q. Bui
Atty Docket No.	4303-4003US1

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. §1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission under 37 C.F.R. §1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on _____.
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.
iii. ☐ Other:
- b. Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. Other: Petition for Extension of Time

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2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of ____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)
- b. Other:

3. Fees The RCE fee under C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed

- a. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 13-4500.
- i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§1.136 and 1.17)
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$750.00 for RCE fee enclosed.
- c. ☒ Check in the amount of \$930.00 for Extension fee enclosed.
- d. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 13-4500 Order No. 4303-4003US1

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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CORRECTION OF FEE DEFICIENCY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.28(c)

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.28 (c), enclosed is a check for \$460.00 for the fee deficiency related to the three month petition for extension of time previously filed on July 26, 2002. Filing of the three month extension fee for a small entity was done in error and without any deceptive intent. If the Examiner has any questions regarding the above matter, or wishes clarification of the matter discussed above, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: June 2, 2003

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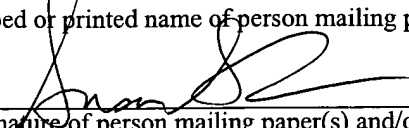
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